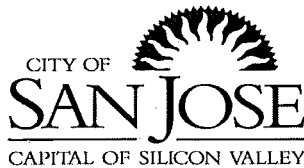


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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
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FROM: Leslye Krutko

SUBJECT: INTEGRATED ENERGY/
REHABILITATION PROGRAM

DATE: May 1, 2006

Approved

Date

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INFORMATION

On November 30th, 2004, the City Council approved an energy weatherization grant program with funds from the Calpine/Bechtel settlement. In coordination with the Department of Environmental Services, this program allocated an initial \$700,000 to the Housing Department to integrate energy improvements into the City's existing housing rehabilitation program. Subsequently, on January 24, 2006, the City Council approved the 2006 Energy Policy Report and Action Plan that authorized an additional \$285,000 received from the settlement funds for the Integrated Energy/Rehabilitation Program. This memorandum provides a status of this new integrated program and accomplishments to date.

Since March of 2005, the Housing Department has awarded over \$570,000 of Integrated Energy/Rehabilitation Program funds to 202 low-income owner-occupants of single-family and mobilehome properties. The grants range from \$2,500 to \$5,000 depending on the type of property and the specific needs of the household. Of the energy grants approved to date, 169 (or 84%) have been awarded to households in the extremely low- and very low-income categories (50% of AMI or lower):

<i>Income Level</i>	<i># of HH Assisted</i>	<i>\$ Amount</i>	<i>%</i>
Extremely Low-Income	90	256,290	45 %
Very Low-Income	78	220,440	39 %
Low-Income	33	94,000	16 %
Total	202	\$570,730	100 %

The energy conserving measures have allowed the rehabilitation program to stretch its resources and reach a greater number of low-income households. Of the 202 households assisted to date, 150 received an energy grant in conjunction with a rehabilitation loan and/or grant. The remaining 52

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households received "standalone" grants as no other health or safety repairs or improvements were required.

These energy grant funds allow the rehabilitation program to assist residents with the purchase of appliances such as Energy Star refrigerators and washers and dryers that were previously not allowed by other funding sources. Additional items eligible under this integrated program include furnace and duct replacement, ceiling insulation, built-in dishwashers, evaporative coolers for mobilehomes, and various weatherization measures.

This pilot program has been fully integrated into the rehabilitation program and has proven extremely beneficial to the residents served while reducing the energy requirements of our community. The program expects to fully expend the initial and subsequent allocations by the end of fiscal year 2006-2007.

I would be glad to respond to any questions you may have regarding this program.


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Director of Housing